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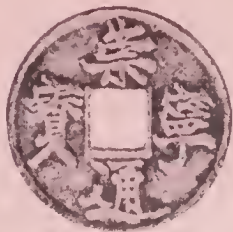
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# PRESIDENT'S

# MESSAGE



Most of you know by now that T.N.A. has a new president. I can assure you of one thing, this office belongs to you, the members of T.N.A. I am asking each one of you that have any ideas for the growth of the organization to step forward and present them. We want to make T.N.A. one that the other numismatic organizations around the world will look at with envy and with your help this can be done.

I have appointed a committee composed of John Hill, Ellis Brooks and Joe Davis, to revamp our Constitution and By-Laws. Mike Brownlee of Dallas has been approved as governor of District V replacing Roger Earwood of Denton who was appointed to serve as T.N.A. second vice president. Mike will be around visiting District V clubs and will be answering questions about T.N.A.

The time to get your life membership at a bargain is fast coming to a close. After January 1, the price will be \$100. You can get it now for \$50 and pay it out over the next year. Where else can you get a life-time deal like this? Also, T.N.A. needs a steady flow of new members and the support of the older members. Several have asked what they can do to help T.N.A. Talking it up to fellow collectors is a good start. An organization is only as good as its members make it. With your help, we are going to make this an organization that you will be proud to say that you are a member of.

Now is the time to make your plans to attend the 1968 convention in San Antonio, June 17-19. I have talked with several of the San Antonio people and I believe that they plan to have the best convention that T.N.A. has ever had. They are off and running.

I am calling for nominations for the **LEWIS REAGAN MEMORIAL AWARD** for the year 1967. This is an award given each year to a T.N.A. member who, in the opinion of a selection committee, has done the most to promote numismatics in Texas. Send your nominations to the secretary, Mrs. Augusta Folda. They have to be in January 1 so that the engraving can be done before convention time. There are many deserving persons in T.N.A. who have contributed to the field of numismatics, so send in your nomination.

## SAN ANTONIO SITE OF 1968 CONVENTION

The Alamo and Gateway Coin Clubs of San Antonio take pleasure in co-sponsoring the 10th convention of Texas Numismatic Association on June 17, 18 and 19 and cordially invite you to attend and participate in this numismatic highlight of 1968, according to Frank O'Sullivan, general chairman.

The convention will be held in the historic Gunter Hotel on Houston Street in downtown San Antonio; and will take place during the entertaining and exciting HemisFair, the only world fair in 1968 and the first in the South. People from all over the world will attend and attendance for HemisFair is estimated at seven million visitors.

Convention officials have reserved the ballroom of the Gunter Hotel for the bourse and plans include adequate room for 60 dealers, which will be

selected from all over the world. Larry J. Murrell will serve as bourse chairman.

The exhibit space available will accommodate many cases and is well lighted. The National Commemorative Society will provide the feature attraction in the exhibit room, of the world renowned Platinum Proof Coin-Medals. This will be the first time that these 47 Platinum Proofs have ever been displayed in their entirety. In addition, some of the best numismatic exhibits ever seen will be on display and an outstanding educational program will be available.

It is suggested that hotel reservations be made as soon as possible as only 300 rooms have been reserved for the exclusive use of T.N.A. convention attendees.

For further information, contact O'Sullivan, Box 5526, San Antonio, Texas 78201.



## BROTHERS NEW TNA PRESIDENT

Bill Brothers of San Angelo is the new president of Texas Numismatic Association, taking office at the T. N.A. semi-annual board meeting in Austin, September 24, in a somewhat complicated but completely constitutional "progressive chairs" maneuver.

For personal reasons Bob Bridges had resigned as president, which automatically moved First Vice President Virgil Hancock into the presidency, and Second Vice President Bill Brothers into the first vice presidency.

Hancock, setting an all-time record for shortness (20 minutes) of tenure as T.N.A. president, and stating he had too many irons in the fire to permit him to serve as presi-

dent, immediately resigned so that Bill Brothers moved up again, this time from first vice president to president, leaving both first and second vice president spots vacant.

Brothers then appointed Hancock to be again first vice president. To fill the vacant second vice president office, Brothers appointed Roger Earwood of Denton which, in turn, left vacant the governorship of District V. Brothers next appointed Mike Brownlee of Dallas as the new governor.

The board then passed, without dissenting vote, several amendments to clarify and to plug loopholes in the T.N.A. Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules. In other pages of this issue of TNA News these amendments are submitted for vote by T.N.A. membership.

# SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS

By R. E. Medlar,  
Lubbock, Texas

Early in the term of Mirabeau B. Lamar, Texas started issuing Republic of Texas notes (Redbacks) in \$5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 500 denominations, and their corresponding change notes of \$1, 2 and 3. There is no accurate record of the quantities issued, either individually or in total, since some were reissued and included in the totals recorded. When Lamar was replaced by "Ole Sam" Houston in December, 1841 the total debt was \$7,300,000. (Illustration VI.)

President Lamar's administration is remembered for sizeable expenditures, too many employes, and too large a navy and army. It should be pointed out that all was paid in highly depreciated currency, so perhaps they were not too high when considered against their equivalents.

The continued depreciation of the finances of the Republic and the general dissatisfaction were responsible for Sam Houston's return to the presidency. He immediately tried to reverse the fiscal trend toward complete bankruptcy. He recalled all other money and they became of value only to pay duty and taxes, which immediately made them worth-



## AND THEIR COINAGE CONCLUSION

less. He issued Exchequer notes which were closely controlled parsimoniously issued, and destroyed when redeemed. So successful was he in the last area that by 1852 only \$13,208.29 remained outstanding. Today, only a small handful can be found.

By this time government employes were caught in a financial squeeze that threatened the very life of the Republic. During Houston's first and Lamar's administrations the salaries were fairly high because they had been established so as to take into consideration the declining purchasing power of the dollar. Sam Houston in his political speeches before election had scored this extravagance and, of course, when re-elected, was committed to cutting back all expenses, including salaries. This, however, immediately threatened a loss of personnel since a salary draft of \$200 was usually discounted to about 60%, and sometimes to 20%, depending upon the fortunes of the Republic at the moment.

Some of the retail prices at this time (August-October, 1813) are shown: Bacon, per lb., 9c; Coffee

per lb. 15c corn, per bu. \$ 3/4c. Lard, lb., 1 1/4c. Nails, lb., 10c; Sugar, lb., 8c, and Flour per bbl., \$8. At the same time salaries had been reduced to where it was very difficult for government employees to make ends meet and many were forced to resign and go into private business. For comparative purposes, shown below are some of the official salaries at various times during the Republic era.

Houston's 1st Admin. President	Lamar Admin.	Houston's 2nd Admin.
\$10,000	\$10,000	\$5,000
Vice President		
3,000	3,000	1,000
Attorney General		
3,000	3,000	1,000
Commissioner, Gen. Land, Oil.		
3,000	3,000	1,200
Sec'y. State, War, Treas.		
Sec'y of Navy		
3,500	0	0
Postmaster General		
2,500	0	0
Treas. or Auditor		
2,500	2,500	1,000
Congressmen, \$ per day		
5	5	3
(1)	(2)	(3)

(1) Discount rate on currency about

40 1/4 (2) Discount rate about 58

(3) Discount rate about 30%.

From this table one can see the state officials were actually in better shape under Houston's second administration than under Lamar's. However, this does not tell the entire story. Many drafts were issued with directives written on them from Sam Houston or his secretary that they were to be honored by specific Custom Offices, and these offices were to pay out moneys received only upon his authorization. Apparently by this means, Houston was able to channel much needed financing to personally-approved projects and payrolls; the technique was apparently necessary to keep efficient officers of the government from resigning. This accounts primarily for the many changes in signature combinations, particularly in the change notes which were signed by six different combinations during Lamar's administration.

Anson Jones, the third and last president of the Republic, was inaugurated in 1844 and carried on the policies and efforts of Sam Houston. Jones' avowed goal of office was to complete the juncture with the United States, and this he accomplish-



REPUBLIC NOTE. Issued from Jan. 1, 1839 to Sept., 1840. \$3,552,800 total issue in \$1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 500 denominations. Also known as "Redbacks."



ed on December 31, 1845.

Presidents of the Republic of Texas

1. Henry Smith, November 12, 1835 to March 15, 1836

2. David G. Burnett, March 16, 1836 to October 21, 1836

3. Sam Houston, October 22, 1836 to December 10, 1838

4. Mirabeau B. Lamar, December 11, 1838 to December 12, 1841

5. Sam Houston, December 13, 1841 to December 8, 1844

6. Anson Jones, December 9, 1844 to December 31, 1845

"Viewing the entire period of the Republic, the history of expenditures falls into two well-defined divisions, one extending from 1836 to 1841 and the other from 1841 to 1846. Total expenditures for the first period were \$7,128,873 or \$1,184,178 annually. The greatest drain on the Republic and the chief cause of its difficulties was the military and naval expenditures." (Miller, E. T., A Financial History of Texas.)

The main manifestations of the Republic are the tokens of her biggest problem - the paper money. Often seen are the notes called Republic Notes and Audited Drafts. Less often found are the earlier Government notes, and very seldom seen, except in the hands of advanced collectors, are the Star Notes. Rarest and most highly prized of all are the few Exchange notes.

This ended the Republic and its stormy course through 10 long but progressive years. Remaining were the problems of changing a governing system to that of statehood and liquidating the debt of the Republic which was nearly \$10,000,000. But this story was a problem for the new state of Texas, for the Republic was no more.

Capitals of Republic of Texas

1. San Felipe de Austin, October 16, 1835 to February 16, 1836

2. Washington on the Brazos, Feb-

ruary 22, 1836 to March 16, 1836

3. Velasco, March 16, 1836 to October 1836

4. Columbia, October 1836 to April 18, 1837

5. Houston, April 19, 1837 to January 18, 1840

6. Austin, January 19, 1840 to September 1842

7. Washington on the Brazos, September 1842 to 1845

8. Austin, 1845 to date.

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## The Winners !!

Harvey Bruns of Mission was the proud recipient of the color television set given away by Texas Numismatic Association during Austin Coin Club's "Money Mart" held at the Villa Capri Motor Hotel. The set was first prize in a special drawing conducted by T.N.A. with all donations being added to the TNA News Continuance Fund. Bruns owns and operates Bruns World Coin Center in McAllen, and was present to receive the award.

Second prize, a four-piece gold set, went to the Quanah Coin Club which is in District 13 of which Wm. Rust Sr. is T.N.A. Governor. The club was organized in 1962, today has a membership of some 20 persons and meets on the third Monday of each month. Club president is Harvey Young of Quanah. The club holds No. C12S in T.N.A.

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When a new note or other engraved work is to be produced by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, a model is designed by an artist in the engraving division. The design is based upon discussion of officials of the Government branches interested in the product. The model finally must be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury.



# Amendments to TNA Constitution, By-Laws, Standing Rules, Now Submitted For Your Vote

The following six amendments were approved with no dissenting vote by T.N.A. Governing Board, meeting in Austin, September 24, 1967, and now are submitted for vote by T.N.A. paid-up members, in conformity to Article IV, Section 1, of TNA Constitution, and Article IX, Section 1, of By-Laws.

On the following amendments proposed, vote your wish, tear out the pages which include the ballot, and mail them to: .

Mrs. Augusta Folda, Secretary  
411 Miramar  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78411

Ballots will be counted November 15, 1967.

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## BALLOT (Check "Yes" or "No")

To Article IX (Rules) of the By-Laws there shall be added:

Sec. 3. The Standing Rules may be amended upon approval by a majority of the Governing Board, and not merely by a majority of those Board members present and voting.

Yes

No

EXPLANATION: Heretofore it seems there's been no clear-cut procedure for changing or adding to the Standing Rules, so this amendment spells it out in plain English.

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To Paragraph 3, last sentence, of the Standing Rules the period shall be deleted and there shall be added:

until immediately after the awards will have been announced, at which time the chairman of judges shall place upon each exhibit or hand to each exhibitor the scoring sheet for that exhibit, and on that same scoring sheet shall appear the scoring of the first-place winner of that category and the scoring of the best in-show exhibit.

Yes

No

EXPLANATION: Heretofore, that Paragraph 3 has read "...the judges' names shall be kept secret." This amendment not only will permit judges to comment to exhibitors on the exhibits, but also will enable non-winners to compare their scoring with that of the winners. That will enable an exhibitor to recognize his weak spots and to correct them the next time he exhibits.

To Paragraph 3 of the Standing Rules, second sentence, after the initials "T.N.A." and before the word "President" shall be inserted:

"First Vice"

Yes

No

EXPLANATION: Since the prime responsibility of the 1st v.p. is the educational section of TNA, and since the purpose of convention exhibits is to further punismatic education, this amendment will place the chairman of judges under the 1st vice president instead of under the president. Everything educational then will be under one tent.

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In By-Laws, Article III, Sec. 2.a(4), second sentence, the word "approved" shall be replaced by the words:

"subject to approval"

Yes

No

EXPLANATION: This amendment clarifies the meaning of this section, which has read that appointments shall be approved by the Governing Board. If interpreted literally, the Board would have had no choice but to approve all appointments, but this amendment says it plainly that all appointments are to be subject to the Board's approval.

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To By-Laws Article III (Elected Officers and Duties) shall be added:

Sec. 6. Appointive officers and committee chairman may attend regular and called meetings of the Governing Board, may volunteer and voice their views on any subject pertinent to TNA affairs, but only elective officers shall have the right to vote.

Yes

No

EXPLANATION: Heretofore appointive officers have voted in Board meetings, although it hasn't been plain whether or not they should vote. This amendment makes it plain that only elective officers can vote. Otherwise a president could pack a Board with enough rubber-stamp appointive officers that he could control the Board.

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In By-Laws Article IV (Elections) a comma shall be substituted for the period at the end of present Section 2, and there shall be added:

to which he may have been either elected or appointed to fill a vacancy in accordance with Article III, Section 2.a 4 of the By-Laws.

Yes

No

EXPLANATION: This amendment says that anyone who has served in an elective office, as a Governor or as a Vice President, whether or not he was appointed to fill a vacancy to such office, is eligible to run for TNA President because such person will have acquired the administrative experience intended to be possessed by any candidate for TNA President.

# The Cuban Gold Story

## Conclusion

By C. H. ROBERTS  
Corpus Christi, Texas  
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The story of Cuban coinage would be incomplete without a discussion of the patriot whose head appears on the obverse of all Cuban gold coins. Jose Marti was born in Havana in 1853 of Spanish parents. His name is pronounced like the name of the country HAITI—not like the American name MARTY.

He was arrested, while a teenager, for revolutionary activities during the Ten Years War (1868-1878). His father, an ex-government official in minor capacities, interceded upon his son's behalf. Released, he was sent to Spain where he studied law; but he became a writer instead of a lawyer.

Marti went to Mexico and to Guatemala as a school teacher and wrote poetry on the side. He returned to Cuba when the 10-years war ended in 1878. Soon he was deported again because of his renewed interest in subversive activities. Now he dedicated himself to becoming very active in the promotion of Cuban independence.

Most of his exiled time was spent in New York City. Here he was a counsel for several Latin American countries. It was in this city that he founded the Cuban periodical LA PATRIA.

While in this country he kept in contact with the Cuban exiles in Florida, New Orleans and New York by personal visits. These enabled him

to inspire, conspire, agitate, dispute, and then reconcile the dissenting groups. Gradually, he became the dominating influence in the Cuban independence movement.

In 1892 he organized a junta called THE DELEGATION OF THE CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY PARTY. Marti was the executive officer with the title of First Delegate. This group succeeded in raising \$1,517,000 for the Cuban independence cause. This was a very substantial sum at that time.

Independent writers of recent years have found it difficult to appraise Marti's patriotic accomplishments because his admirers have glorified him like a hero in an epic. This has tended to give him the status of a diety. One writer says, "In many ways, he was a pathetic visionary, he had an unsatisfactory marriage, suffered repeated failures in business and journalistic enterprises, and uttered so many notions that his thinking lacks consistency."

The same writer continues, "Messy as his personal life was, however, he had a superb gift for propagandizing and organization. The insurrection of 1895 was deftly arranged and timed. Chaotic and colliding personalities were united, money raised, influential Americans attracted, and above all, an overpowering inspiration imparted

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# TOPICAL COLLECTING

## BIRDS ON COINS

BY GLADYS ROBBINS  
Corpus Christi, Texas

Eagles on coins are so numerous and so meaningful, they will be treated as Part II of this article on coins with birds on them.

The study of birds lead us into many fascinating areas. To try and discern what prompted their use as a design, to try to interpret their symbolism affords hours of interesting research.

In modern times, birds have appeared on coins to typify the natural fauna peculiar to their country. Percy Metcalf, in designing the winning series for Ireland's coins popularly called the 'barneyard' coins, set the trend for simple, artistic use of birds and animals of their country. Other birds are symbolic—the owl of wisdom, the dove of peace, the quetzal representing man's quest for adventure. Birds are used as a part of their country's arms, or just to make a coin more beautiful. Here then are the birds on coins as I have found them. Good hunting!

**AUSTRALOP COCK** (Malawi Cockerel)—Natural fauna. Issued 1964 in Malawi. This cock seems to crow "we're free!" reverse.

**AZTEC BIRD**—bird design shown on right of Cuauhtemo. Mexico 50c 1950-51 reverse.

**BIRD DESIGN**—line drawing of birds on either side of the hold in New Guinea pennies, 1936 and 1938-44 obverse.

**BIRD D-SIGN**—Bird's wings sweep upward behind figure on Sums 5 10 25 50 Satangs 1946 both types reverse.

**BIRD OF PARADISE**—German New Guinea, 10 pfennig 1/2 1, 2 5 mark 1894 reverse. New Caledonia—natural fauna, 50c, 1, 2, francs 1947 5 francs 1952 reverse.

**BLUE CRANE**—natural fauna, South Africa 5 1965 reverse.

**CONDOR**—Natural fauna (largest bird some weigh as much as 25 pounds) used as part of

arms of many South American countries.

**CONDOR**—18.8 Condor standing erect on obverse. Used as part of arms on many other issues to present day.

**CHILE**—Condor main device on obverse design of coins from 1838 was shown as an ugly bird. In 1954 the beautiful condor in flight began to be used. 10 Peo (medic condor) 10 Peo (condor) transmission nicknamed after bird.

**COLUMBIA**—important device or arms on most issues 1862 to date.

**CRANE**—important device of arms on most issues 1844 to date.

**CRANE**—National China 100 dollars 50 dollars 1965 silver crowns commemorating Sun Yat-sen centennial of birth. Crane used as part of reverse as symbol of happiness and a long life.

**CROW**—Natural fauna, Japan 1 sen 1938 obverse. Natural fauna, Japan 1838 obverse.

**DOVE**—Canada 1c, 1967, natural fauna, reverse.

**CYPRESS DOVE** of peace 1, 5 25 50 100 mil. 1963 obverse.

**Fiji**—dove of peace part of shield on florin issued 1937 1957 to date.

**Hungary**—dove of peace 10 filler 1946-47 1950 to date obverse.

**Ireland**—dove of peace resting on shoulder of figure 10 shilling 1966 commemorating 1916 Easter uprising reverse.

**Japan**—natural fauna, 5 sen 1940-41 1945-46 obverse.

**Romania**—dove of peace flying toward hand of draped female figure 100,000 lei 1946 obverse.

**Sweden**—dove of peace on female figure 5 Kronor 1962 reverse.

**Switzerland**—dove of peace. Armament Fund Commemorative dove resting on hand of female figure 5 francs 1936 obverse.

**Tonga**—dove in shield 20, 50 Senti 1 Pa'anga 1967 reverse.

**Vatican City**, 5 and 10 lire 1939 5 — 10 centesimi 1942-46 2 lire 1950 500 lire, 1958, 1 2 5 10 20 lire 1962 500 lire, 1963. As part of coat of arms on many different denominations since 1942. Holy Spirit represented a dove.

**EMU**—Australia—supporter of coat of arms on reverse of 3 6 pence shilling and florin 1910 to 1965. In 1966 a larger emu supports shield on 50c reverse.

**DUCKS**—Ceylon 5 rupees 1957 silver crown obverse. The ducks form a circle around smaller circle of animals. This coin commemorates 2500 years of buddhism.

**FLAMINGOE**—natural fauna, Bahama Islands \$2 1966 reverse.

**GEESE**—Canada \$1.00 1967 goose in flight.

natural fauna reverse

China, \$100 1932 has three geese flying above junk

Poland geese in flight behind the Zugmunt commemorative column in Warsaw (7th century of Warsaw) obverse

GOOSE—Norway, 2 Ore 1958, 59 to date, natural fauna reverse

GULL—Japan 1 sen 1938-40 obverse

Liberia 1/2 2c, 1937, 1941 1, 5c 1960-61 obverse

HAMEA—Cambodia, sacred bird looking much like a Texas roadrunner 10 centimes, 10 sen, 1953 1 fuang una face silvered copper, no date 1750 copper fuang; 1840 1 att copper. This last shows hamea dressed as a temple dancer in boots coat and crown obverse

HEN & CHICKS—Ireland 1 penny, 1928-37; 1940 to date reverse

HORNBILL—parrot-like bird, natural fauna Zambia 1 shilling 1964 reverse

HUIA BIRD—Natural fauna, New Zealand 6 pence 1933-1966 reverse

KIWAMBI STONE BIRD—Southern Rhodesia 1 shilling 1932-52 reverse Rhodesia 1 shilling, 20c 1966 (double denomination appeared on this coin as they changed their monetary system to decimal)

KIWI—New Zealand natural fauna, Florin 1933-66 reverse, 20c 1967

LYRE BIRD—Australia 10c natural fauna reverse

OSTRICH—Tanzania 20 Senti 1966 shows running ostrich on reverse

OWL—Greece 5 10 Lepta 1912. One of ancient Athenian designs used on modern coins

PEACOCK—natural fauna, 1/2 1/16, 1/8, 1/4 1/2 Rupee 1852 1/4 anna 1865 obverse

PHOENIX BIRD—a mythical or sacred bird of great beauty the only one of its kind, fabled to live 500 or 600 years in the Arabian wilderness to burn itself on a funeral pile, and to rise from the ashes in the freshness of youth to live through another cycle of years. (Often an emblem of immortality).

China \$100 1923 10 20c 1926-27

Greece, 1 5 10, 20 lepta, 1828-1831; 1 Phoenix (denomination named after bird) 5 drachmai 1930

Japan 50 sen 1922 (bird of longevity); 100 yen, 1957-58, 50 sen 1946

Korea, 1/2 chon, 1906-1910; 1, 5 chon 1905-1907

South Korea 100 Hwan 4292 (1959) reverse

POUTER PIGEON, Japan 1948-49 5 yen obverse

PUFFIN—Parrot-like bird natural fauna of Lundy Island reverse 1/2, 1 puffin 1929 (denomination named for bird)

QUETZEL—Guatemala Natural fauna, quetzel's tail twice as long as its body As part of the coat of arms, on many issues since 1873 obverse Standing on column on coins of 1925 and later date used on obverse and reverse. Denominations 1925-49 named after bird

ROOSTER—France on reverse of 10, 20, 50 francs 1950-5. During French revolution rebels wore red kerchief "liberty cap" as identification They noticed the rooster had a built-in liberty cap (this comb) and venerated this bird

French Territories:

Cameroons, 50 centimes, 1 franc 1943

French Equatorial, 50 centimes, 1 franc 1942-43

Madagascar 50 centimes, 1 franc

Emergency coinage during World War II when Germans occupied France These three territories used the rooster as a symbol of free France

Malacca, 1804 5 keepings; 1 2, keepings 1832

SEA EAGLE—natural fauna Rhodesia and Nyasaland 2 shilling 1955 on fish 1/2 crown 1955 surmounting arms. reverse

SPARROW—natural fauna South Africa reverse farthing 1923-60, 1/2 1961-64 (two sparrows in stylized design) 1c 1966 (new design, more natural sparrows on branch)

TITMOUSE—natural fauna, Norway 25 Ore 1958 reverse

TUI BIRD—natural fauna, New Zealand 1940 and later 1c reverse

WOODCOCK—natural fauna, Ireland farthing 1928-37, 1939 to date reverse

WREN—natural fauna, Great Britain, farthing 1937-1956, reverse

Bird watching can be fun! As long as birds fly, artists will be inspired to use them on coins. Each new issue is eagerly scanned to see if there is a bird on it, so the list is unending.

## DID YOU KNOW?

... that "Hog Month" was Leopold I, Holy Roman Emperor? The most prominent characteristic of this noble family was a protruding lower jaw and thick lower lip and he was proud of this mark.



**BIRDS ON COINS** — A selection of birds found on coins is shown above as part of an exhibit belonging to Mrs. Gladys Robbins of Corpus Christi. The bird display has won several top honors over the state.

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# A NUMISMATIC PROFILE

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Doris Drachenberg

This is Doris Drachenberg of Raymondville, down Rio Grande way. If it's numismatics, she's in it . . . as secretary, secretary, secretary, as collector of Texas trade tokens, wooden money, medals, as the "D" of "D & L Coins," as homemaker for Hubby Lucky (he's the "L"), and as successful mother of two young Drachenbergs who've made names for themselves in numismatics!

Daughter Sharon, 11, copped first place with her winning T.N.A. youth contest scrapbook this year. Son Gary, 18, won top national honors in this year's A.N.A. Junior Literary Award contest with his "Bearded Rulers of History . . . Portrayed on Coins."



## COIN COLLECTING EXPERIENCES

By ROY C. LAWRENCE  
Anamosa, Iowa.

It was quite an honor for my twin brother and I to meet Mrs. Wally Gilmore, Weslaco, Texas, three years ago, while spending a few days winter vacation at McAllen. Work in editing, mailing a coin paper is a mutual conversation item. I soon observed the size of the great state of Texas and the interest in numismatists in every community. Of course a tour of the Alamo at San Antonio was on my agenda and the admiration for the Lone Star State, and the former 'Republic of Texas' from an historical point of view, added to my

Doris, always wearing her big, warm, and attractive smile, is the next thing to perpetual motion personified, numismatically. She rushes up and down the Rio Grande attending coin club meetings, willingly lending a hand, whether or not anyone notices it or mentions it. She's helped arrange more than 30 coin exhibits shown to the public in banks, schools, civic clubs. She burns the midnight mazda studying all the coin literature she can find, adding at least one good book each month to her own coin library.

Doris has served as both T.N.A. and A.N.A. club representative, still carries membership applications in her purse, and she gets 'em signed!

She was the Willacy County club's first publicity chairman. And we feel such a cheerful, helpful worker as is Doris Drachenberg should receive at last a little publicity for herself. Thus this profile.

interest of my trip.

Last winter while at Long Beach, Calif., it was my good fortune during a coin show to acquire currency issued by the Republic of Texas, some signed by Sam Houston, and also a few bonds issued in 1815 with interest coupons attached. Their former owner happened to live in New York! You never know where, nor when an interesting numismatic item will cross your path.

This winter your scribe has an inclination to spend some of his time in Florida. Warm weather and friendly coin collectors have a lure which is difficult to resist.

From the

# second vice president

Texas Numismatic Association

Roger Earwood  
Box 629, Denton, Texas 76201



Your association's Board, at the Austin meeting, was faced with realigning the three top offices. I wish to say that it is indeed an honor to have been appointed to serve as second vice president of T.N.A.

I want to thank each and everyone who contributed time and money during our state-wide campaign toward continuance of the T.N.A. News. We must continue this progress in the future; you will soon hear from our president about a benefit auction for T.N.A.

Our membership decline was in keeping with a downward coin market trend, however, there are signs that this decline has bottomed out from the boom period and with good club programs and help from our club representatives in recruiting new members, we may resume a new rate of growth. I shall always be ready to assist in any way I can; your counsel and advice is earnestly

solicited.

Some members are reluctant to get involved because they don't want to be talked about; well if you don't get involved you get talked about anyway. To prove that a coin has two sides I submit the following:

"If I attend a meeting, I'm being nosey. If I don't, I'm not interested. If I take sides on an issue, I'm prejudiced. If I don't, I'm a coward. If I've been on the job a short time, I lack experience. If I've been around a while, it's time for a change. If I don't stop and talk, I'm too big for my britches. If I do, that's all I've got to do anyway. If I ask for advice, I'm incompetent. If I don't, I'm a know-it-all. If I make a mistake, I hear about it for weeks. If I don't I never hear about it. If I accept a social drink, I'm an alcoholic. If I don't, I'm anti-social. If I express my opinion, I want to run the show. If I don't where did I go to school?"

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# from the secretary

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1783 (D-8) John C. Face, 910 Sharon, Corpus Christi, Tex. 78412, Mex. Dimitry Bassons.

1784 (D-4) W. W. Hardy, 4611 Laurel Canyon Dr., Austin, Tex. 78731, U.S. and Gen. Bill Miller and Bill Brothers.

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C-35 (D-6) Treasure Island Coin Club, Box 661, Galveston, Tex. 77551

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## from the librarian

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Eight slide sets were scheduled for showing during October by T.N.A. member clubs and three books were loaned to two members.

Please add the following to your library list:

R-19p-Siamese Porcelain and Other Tokens, R. A. Ramsden, 1911, reprint, donated by Al Naumann, San Antonio, Texas.

## NEWS ROUNDUP – A.N.A.

Aside from all the talk about silver, the controversy concerning allowing U. S. collectors to legally order and own the Canadian 20 dollar gold piece, the occasional article about the silver dollars held by the U. S. Treasury, and the announcements which tell us we will have proof sets with an "S" mintmark, things are somewhat quiet in our hobby.

The A.N.A. convention is three months past, the T.N.A. convention is several months ahead, and local shows are in the spotlight here and there.

A.N.A. first vice president, Herbert M. Bergen, is accepting applications from persons desiring to be considered for the position of Executive Director of the A.N.A. This is the post made vacant by the resignation at the Miami convention by Jack Koch. Wouldn't it be nice if this position were filled by a TEXAN!



George Mather

By **GEORGE MATHER**  
Corpus Christi, Texas  
A.N.A. Representative

I feel sure that there are those who are qualified. Had you thought of yourself in this position? Address a letter to Herbert M. Bergen, chairman, Personnel Committee, 604 N. Harbor Blvd., Fullerton, Calif. 92634. Deadline for filing is December 5, 1967. Salary will be commensurate with ability, and final selection will be made by board action - Could this be YOU?

How many of the 20 A.N.A. services have you benefitted from recently? Take advantage of your blessings.

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DECEMBER 2-3

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FEBRUARY 2-4

GREATER HOUSTON COIN CLUB'S annual "Money Show," Rice Hotel. Write Frank Castleberry, Box 2963, Houston, Tex. 77001.



MARCH 1-3

BROWNSVILLE COIN CLUB & TIP - O - TEXAS COLLECTORS' ASSN., annual Wildcat Show, Civic Center, Brownsville. Write: Jim Hol-lon, 1350 W. Elizabeth, Brownsville.



MARCH 2-3

MINERAL WELLS COIN CLUB annual show, Baker Hotel. Contact Donald Bond, Club Sec., 203 N.W. 33rd, Mineral Wells, Tex. 76067.



MARCH 16-17

CORPUS CHRISTI COIN CLUB annual show, Driscoll Hotel. Gen. Chmn.: Fred J. Floerke, Rt. 1, Box 20, Taft, Tex. 78390.



MARCH 30-31

GREATER PORT ARTHUR COIN CLUB, 9th annual show, Thomas Jefferson High School cafeteria. Write: Lloyd Buss, Box 3081, Port Arthur 77610.

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## TNA Members Head Maximilian Society

Don Bailey of Yuma, Ariz. and Richard A. Long of Corpus Christi were elected to serve as president and vice president of the newly created Maximilian Numismatic Society. Both are members of the Texas Numismatic Association.

Also serving in official capacity is Lamar Folda of Corpus Christi as chairman of the Research Committee, which is committed to research heretofore unknown numismatic information for release to the numismatic field in general. Long is also serving as chairman of the Price Trends Committee which will try to establish the trends for coinage of this period.

The Texas Chapter of M.N.S., headed by Folda, has about 15 members. For further information write Box 1281, Yuma, Ariz. 85364.



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# DISTRICT MEETINGS

## DISTRICT I:

The Fort Worth Coin Club's sixth annual coin show at Hotel Texas October 7-8 was to feature an educational forum on counterfeit coins.

Virgil Hancock, T.N.A. first vice president, was to lecture and exhibit counterfeit coins. The forum is part of the educational program sponsored by T.N.A. — Col. R. W. Darrah, Gov. Dist. I.



## DISTRICT II:

All West Texas coin collectors were invited to attend the educational forum on counterfeit coins sponsored by T. N. A. and hosted by the Odessa Coin Club September 28 in Odessa. The announcement was made to members of the Spanish Trail Coin Club at Ft. Stockton at the regular meeting at Pecos County Bank with 15 in attendance.



Wilma Shuster  
Governor

Del Yarbrough spoke to the group on "Coins of the U. S. from Colonial Days to Modern Times." Yarbrough, a junior member, gave a brief history of coins used in our country in colonial times and spoke of tokens and private issues as well as regular U. S. coinage up to the present time. — Bob Ablin, T.N.A. Rep.



The Odessa Coin Club was host to the first area-wide meeting of District Two of T.N.A. September 28, at the

First National Bank building when Virgil Hancock, T.N.A. first vice president, presented the program on counterfeit coins. The meeting was well received by the approximately 115 who attended, representing 10 cities in the district.

N. E. Paxon, Odessa club president, introduced Wilma Shuster, governor of District II, who in turn introduced the club presidents; Paxon, Odessa club; E. H. Seobey, Midland club; and Robert E. Lee, Spanish Trail club of Ft. Stockton. Also introduced as special guests were Bill Brothers, T.N.A. president; E. H. Brooks, T.N.A. parliamentarian and former president; and J. G. Pfluger, T.N.A. governor of District III, all of San Angelo.

After giving a brief talk about the advantages of being a member of T. N.A., Brothers introduced the guest speaker, Virgil Hancock. Hancock explained many differences in coins struck by dies and coins cast in sand and wax molds, demonstrating with well designed, but simplified charts. He pointed out the tendency of cast coins to blur in the lettering and the detection of grainy metal in the grooves of the reeding, and stated that even a die-struck counterfeit can be exposed when compared with a known-genuine coin. He gave a descriptive outline of three tests which can be used to ascertain if coins are genuine, which included x-ray diffraction, specific gravity and neutron activation.

Following the program the audience was allowed to personally inspect and view through stereoscopic

microscopes, a six-table display of counterfeit coins which Hancock had arranged. Included were ancient, Biblical, Mexican, Oriental, European and colonial and modern U. S. counterfeit coins. — Wilma Shuster, Gov. Dist. II.



Presley Powell, chairman of the Tall City coin show set by Midland Coin Club for October 14-15, along with his co-chairman, presented reports of arrangements. Serving on committees were Ellis Scobey, exhibits; Roy Merket, security; John Culver, publicity; and Guy Brantley, bourse.

Scobey, club president, read a letter from Wilma Shuster announcing the first area-wide T.N.A. District II meeting to be held in Odessa with Virgil Hancock as principal speaker.



Club members were invited to attend. — R. E. Howard, Publicity.



### DISTRICT III:

More than 1,600 persons viewed the exhibits and bourse at the September 9-10 coin show sponsored by the San Angelo Coin Club at the Town House Motor Hotel. It was the seventh annual show.



J. G. Pfluger  
Governor

Best in show award went to J. G. Pfluger of San Angelo, who also took first place in the U. S. coin division. Taking second and third place in U. S. were Henry Bliznak of San Angelo and Mrs. Bliz-

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nak. Bliznak also received first in gold coins. First place in paper money was won by Gene Hirt of Odessa, with Homer Brooks of Dallas and Bliznak receiving second and third.

First place in foreign was won by Charles Miller of Odessa with W. E. Wozencraft of Big Spring, second. F. J. Reynolds of San Angelo took first in specialized, while Mrs. Bliznak and Bill Brothers, both of San Angelo, took second and third. In the junior division, Loyd Lee Bliznak of San Angelo received first in U. S. coins and Gary Pfluger placed second.

Pfluger also received first in foreign money and Paul Hirt of Odessa took second.

Show chairman was Fred Clark with exhibits in charge of F. J. Reynolds. Club president is Bill Brothers.

The San Angelo club held its October meeting in the Town House Motor Hotel with 25 members and one visitor, Mr. Jagadishwer from India, present. Henry Bliznak and Bill Brothers received 1964 proof sets for selling the most tickets for the coin show drawing. Two attendance prizes of T.N.A. memberships were awarded to Frank Carson and Bill Lee.

President Bill Brothers appointed a nominating committee for 1968 officers who were: E. H. Brooks, J. G. Pfluger and Dick Swindol. Also appointed was a committee to arrange the annual Christmas party in December. Mrs. Howell, Mrs. Vautrain, Miss Langston and Mrs. Mable Casey.

Mr. Jagadishwer told of the coins of India, of which country he is a native and E. H. Brooks also presented a program on "U. S. Cents, Pennies or Coppers." Seven exhibits were shown by members Bud Reynolds, J. C. Wilson, Pfluger, G. A. Kennedy, Dick Swindol, Mrs. L. Talley and E. H. Brooks.

#### DISTRICT IV:

Dr. P. H. Butler was speaker at the recent meeting of Heart of Texas Coin & Stamp Club of Waco when 17 members met at the Texas Power and Light Center. Dr. Butler spoke on the coins of Mexico and gave a history of Mexican coinage from earliest times to present.



Lyman Barte  
Governor

A nominating committee was appointed to present a slate of officers for 1968. — Bernice Casper, Publicity.



Silver was the order of the day when Austin Coin Club's eighth annual "Money Mart" was climaxed with the awards breakfast at Villa Capri Motor Hotel in Austin, September 21. Silver trophies, trays, and trivets flashed over the big halls devoted to the 77 educational and informational exhibits, the bourse and



**BEST IN SHOW** — Ray von Rosenberg of Taft, right, captured top honors in exhibits at the September "Money Mart" hosted by the Austin Coin Club at the Villa Capri. With Ray is Keith Johnson, exhibit chairman.



breakfast room.

Courtney Coffing of Sidney, Ohio, official representative of Coin World, was the principal speaker at the breakfast. His subject was "Navigating Our Numismatic Ship" and he pointed out that the numismatic hobby, during the last half-century, has experienced a number of ups and downs, as it has during the past two years. (Complete text of Coffing's talk will appear in a future issue of the TNA News.)

The Austin club honored several members who have participated during recent years in staging the annual "Money Mart." Presented with engraved silver trays were Lyman Bartee, Max Wilder, Joe Garcia, E. M. Rice, Keith Johnson and Brad Smith, all of Austin.

Special guests during the show were members of the Board of Governors of T.N.A. who held their reg-

ular semi-annual meeting.

Ray Von Rosenberg of Taft captured best in show of exhibits. Other winners were: Joe Garcia, Bob Fitzgerald, Hirsch Schwartz, U. S. coins; Roger Earwood, John Connovey, Ray Whyborn, paper money; Frank O'Sullivan, Henry Bliznak, E. H. Brocks, gold coins; Mrs. Lois Perry, Mrs. E. T. Morrison, foreign coins after 1500 A.D.

Also, Von Rosenberg, Gerald Kendall, O'Sullivan, ancient coins, W. R. Robbins, Charles Miller, Harry Kent, Mexico and Latin America; Wm. Rust, Sr., J. G. Pfluger, E. M. Rice, medals and tokens; H. F. Baker, Pfluger, Gladys Robbins, specialized; Earwood, R. H. Porter, obsolete currency.

In junior exhibits winners were Paula Schwartz, Gary Pfluger and Loyd and Harry Bliznak. — Brad Smith, Publicity.



#### DISTRICT VI:

The Pasadena Coin Club bulletin "Pasadena Plain Talk," has been carrying information on U. S. commemorative coins. Mrs. Chris Johns, club secretary, edits the bulletin.

The club meets at Shipley's Grill on South Richey.



Edgar L. Berlin was scheduled to speak recently at the Beaumont Coin Club meeting to be held at the First Security National Bank. Following the speech, there was to be an exhibit of type coins for members to study and enjoy.



Members of Galveston County Coin



**GUEST SPEAKER** — Courtney Coffing of Sidney, Ohio, and a member of the news staff of Coin World, was guest speaker at the annual exhibitors' breakfast held in conjunction with the Austin Coin Club's "Money Mart" held at the Villa Capri.



Chris Johns  
Governor

Club have many reasons to be proud of their ninth Coin Jamboree. With parts of the Gulf Coast full of jitters about the storm "Beulah" the sun shown brightly in Texas City on both days of the show and more than 1,000 persons registered.

Eighty-three dealers, their wives and club members attended a smorgasbord supper when the show closed on Saturday. Trophies were presented to the exhibitors in 10 categories. Ruby Threlkeld won best in show with her exhibit of silver amulets from Mexico, a specialized exhibit.

Winners in other categories were: U. S. coins, Wesley Dover, Mrs. M.

J. Anderson, Georgia Smith, paper money, Mrs. I. K. Richardson, Medals, Ruby Threlkeld; Mexico, Dover, J. D. Fuller, gold, Fuller, Cliff Morehead; ancient, M. J. Anderson; foreign, Fuller, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. W. H. Hale, specialized, Mr. Anderson.

Junior winners were Dathalyn Anderson, Bob Gollberg, and Stephanie Dover. Non-competitive exhibits were shown by Jim Gollberg and Hugh Threlkeld. — Ruby Threlkeld, T.N.A. Rep.



The Greater Port Arthur Coin Club will hold its ninth annual coin show March 30-31, 1968 at Thomas Jefferson High School cafeteria. It is lo-



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For what is planned to be Houston's biggest coin show since the 1965 A.N.A. convention, **The Greater Houston Coin Club** plans to make its February 2-4, 1968 "Money Show" an exhibitors' convention. The show will be held at the Rice Hotel in downtown Houston.

Half of the exhibit space will be reserved for first-time exhibitors. Club President Frank Castleberry recalls that first-time exhibitors do have a chance to cop top prizes. He cites one first-time Houstonian who took second place at A.N.A., and another Houston beginner who grabbed first place at the R.C.D.A. national convention.

"First-time exhibitors - and juniors - will be especially welcomed," stated Castleberry, "and we hope TNA News will encourage collectors all over the state to exhibit in Houston. They could make their displays at Houston a sort of 'shake-down cruise' for the later TNA convention in San Antonio."

The other half of the exhibit space will be saved for experienced collectors and exhibitors, who have been

invited from as far away as Puerto Rico, Mexico and the Canadian border. For exhibit space reservation, write the club, Box 2963, Houston 77001.



#### DISTRICT VII:

The **Alamo Coin Club** of San Antonio is conducting a membership drive from September 12 until sometime in December when a Christmas party is planned. Prizes will be a U. S. \$5 gold piece, A.N.A., T.N.A. and local club memberships.



Graves Rouse  
Governor

Programs at the October meetings were to include a talk on the "Coins of San Antonio," by Frank O'Sullivan and a fun night with games, prizes and Dutch auction.

The club meets at the Ruiz House behind the Witte Museum on Broadway at Brackenridge Park.



#### DISTRICT VIII:

"The Trials of Trying to Assemble a Type Set" was the subject chosen by R. O. Bork when he spoke to members of the San Benito Coin Club. He displayed a set of type coins he has been working on and told how he acquired each coin.




Clarence Davis  
Governor

The club meets at Palmville Housing Center on the second and fourth Thursdays. — **Lorraine Truax, Sec.**



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**dalgo Coin Club** of McAllen plans were completed for hosting the counterfeit forum presented by Virgil Hancock, T.N.A. first vice president, on October 5 at the Echo Motor Hotel in Edinburg. The forum is under the sponsorship of T.N.A. and several such programs over the state have been planned.

Guest speaker for the evening was L. Lehman of Mission who conducted a question and answer period on banking procedure and the silver situation.

The club now meets at the C. P. & L. Co. building on South Broadway.



Gary Drachenberg of Raymondville displayed his award-winning plaque which he received as first-place winner of the A.N.A. junior literary contest at the September **Pert Isabel Coin Club** meeting held in the Community Center. Miriam Gilmore gave a report of the A.N.A. convention in Miami Beach, Fla.

The club cancelled the October meeting due to the aftermath of the storm Benlah.



**Corpus Christi Coin Club** had 22 members and guests for its September 11 meeting in Gulfway National Bank. It was voted to purchase five books for local and T.N.A. libraries in memory of deceased member Jig Adams.

Darrell Stidham, a junior member, spoke on "U. S. Eagles and Half Eagles" stating that every government since the first to strike coins some seven centuries B.C., has used gold. The eagle is required by law to be used on all U. S. gold and silver coins of regular issue. It has appeared in many shapes and sizes through the years. He described changes in designs on obverse and reverse, in weights and fineness from early to later gold coins.

After a brief business session on

September 25, the club heard C. H. Loring speaking on "The Barber Series." He said his interest in the coins began in 1956 when he got a Barber half dollar in change. He enjoys "finds" more than purchases and displayed a variety of coins he has found.

Loring told of William Barber and G. T. Morgan in the second Philadelphia Mint, dissatisfaction with the "Bland Dollar" and their work on new designs. C. E. Barber succeeded his father. His first coin was the "V" nickel which appeared first in 1883 without denominational identification, was gold plated to become the "Raceteer Nickel." This was soon corrected and the design was used until 1913 when a few labeled unauthorized coins of the type were struck.

The true Barber series were the dime, quarter and half dollar. (Morgan's design was chosen in competition for the dollar.) The first two were struck 1892 to 1916, the latter to 1915. The quarter and half were the first to use 5-pointed stars, on the reverse only.

Chief engraver of the Mint, C. E. Barber was influential in passage of a bill prohibiting change of the design of a coin under 25 years except by Act of Congress. The speaker called attention to the fact that coins of the Barber series have steadily increased in numismatic value, the only series to show no slump. — Norma Mather, Publicity.



Programs planned during October for the **World Coin Club** of Corpus Christi included an auction and A. N. A. film "Regular Issue of Odd Shaped Coins of the 20th Century."

Members were to vote on several amendments to the club Constitution and By-Laws according to the club bulletin.



**Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi

ti presented a panel discussion on exhibiting at their September 5 meeting as preparation for the sixth annual coin show held October 28-29. Panel members Ray Von Rosenberg, Helen Floerke, Clay Stubblefield and Norma Mather told of their own experiences in exhibiting, bringing out the fact that an exhibit might win a first place or even best in show at one coin show and place second or third at another. The panel was moderated by Gladys Robbins who read advice from Virgil Hancock and Miriam Gilmore in response to correspondence concerning the program.

Numismatic information was defined as everything about a coin or other exhibited material - the date, metal content, size, weight, edge, main devise, designer, where minted, mintage, why that certain coin was issued, country of issue, etc.

The September 19 meeting was cancelled on account of Benlah, the storm and the October 5 meeting had scheduled as speaker Phil Rosenstein, auction and final plans for the coin show. - Gladys Robbins, Publicity.



#### DISTRICT XI:

During the September meeting of Amarillo Coin Club approximately 85 members and guests gathered for the first annual coin auction. Auctioneers were provided by a professional firm. Over 175 lots were sold.

Due to the meeting being scheduled for the auction only, there was no business or program. - Troy H. Coan,



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Governor

Gov., Dist. 11.



Nineteen members and guests of the XII Coin Club of Dalhart met to view a slide set "U. S. Type Copper Coins" furnished by the T.N.A. Memorial Library. This was the second program furnished by T.N.A. and everyone is enjoying them and looking forward to future ones.

During the short business meeting, the membership voted to continue meeting on the third Tuesday for the next two months on a trial basis, in order not to coincide with other meetings in the area. - Trey H. Coan, Gov., Dist. 11.



#### DISTRICT XIII:

The Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club met in September in Memorial Hall at Y. M. C. A. Fifty members and guests attended.

A program on U. S. postage and fractional currency was illustrated by slides and narrated by Roger Paulk, club president. The slides were used from the T.N.A. Memorial Library. In conjunction with the program, W. C. Williams and Pat Boruff displayed their collections of fractional currency. Mrs. Ross Foley spoke on the First Day Issue of Davey Crockett stamps mailed from San Antonio.



Wm. Rust  
Governor

W. C. Williams was named chairman of a committee to plan the annual Christmas dinner, set for December 14. Serving with him will be W. D. Richmond, Mrs. Wm. Rust, Sr., Mrs. H. H. Hallmark and Mrs. C. M. Howard. - Mrs. C. M. Howard Publicity.

## CUBAN GOLD ---

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to the cause."

Again this writer says, "Marti taught Cubans to be suspicious of the U.S." Marti called it, ".....the monster in whose entrails he had lived."

Aspiring to prove himself a good patriot with military recognition, Marti permitted himself to be placed in the battle lines. He was killed on May 19, 1895 at Dos Rios. Cuba gained a martyr and the revolution went on unchecked.

### MINTAGE TABLE FOR CUBAN GOLD

1 Peso	1915	6,850
1 Peso	1916	10,600
2 Pesos	1915	10,500
2 Pesos	1916	150,010
4 Pesos	1915	6,300
4 Pesos	1916	128,760
5 Pesos	1915	696,050
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The official figures of the Philadelphia mint are listed above. They vary with the figures released by the Cuban Finance Ministry.

No attempt has been made in this discussion to reconcile and reason out the differences which are not considered to be out of line. Some authorities have accounted for the differences as consisting of mistakes, assay pieces, patterns, proofs, and presentation sets, all of which were delivered to the Cuban Finance Ministry by the Philadelphia mint.

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